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DAREDEVIL

THE MAN WITHOUT FEAR!

YOU
LOST THE
GIRL YOU
LOVE... BUT
YOU
FOUND...

**THE
STUNT-
MASTER!**

YOU'RE
AS GOOD
AS DEAD,
D.D.!

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DAREDEVIL, THE MAN WITHOUT FEAR!

SUDDENLY...THE STUNT-MASTER!

THE SINEWY, STEEL-MUSCLED FIGURE OF DAREDEVIL DIPS AND DARTS ABOVE THE BLAZING CITY LIGHTS--THE SOUNDS OF PEOPLE AND STALLED TRAFFIC MELD INTO THEIR FAMILIAR SYMPHONY--AND YET, WHY IS TONIGHT NOT LIKE OTHER NIGHTS? STICK AROUND AND FIND OUT, FRIEND--!

I CAN'T FIND HER ANYWHERE!

ANYWHERE!!

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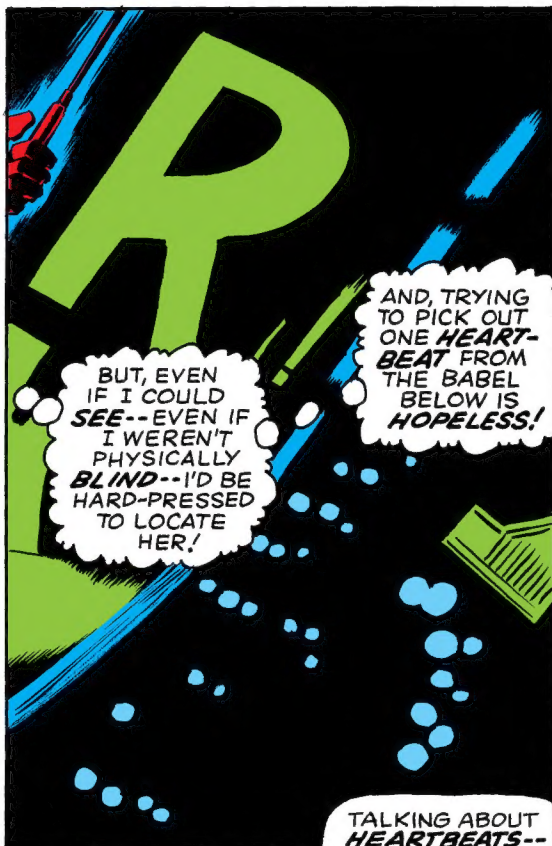
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SHORES, EMBELLISHER
SIMEK, LETTERER

AND NOW, LET'S AWAY--!



SOMEWHERE DOWN THERE--AMONG THE TEEMING MASSES--MAY BE THE GIRL I LOVE!



BUT, EVEN IF I COULD SEE--EVEN IF I WEREN'T PHYSICALLY BLIND--I'D BE HARD-PRESSED TO LOCATE HER!

AND, TRYING TO PICK OUT ONE HEART-BEAT FROM THE BABEL BELOW IS HOPELESS!



IF ONLY THERE'D BE SOME ACTION--ANYTHING--TO GET MY MIND OFF KAREN PAGE!

OH WELL... I MIGHT AS WELL CALL IT A NIGHT AND HIT THE SACK!

TOMORROW, AS SCARLETT O'HARA USED TO SAY, IS ANOTHER DAY!

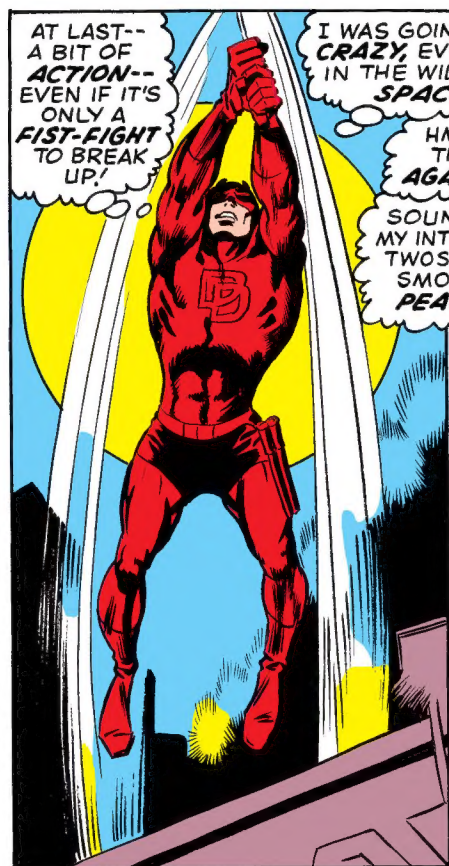


WAIT A MINUTE!

TALKING ABOUT HEARTBEATS-- I HEAR A COUPLE OF PULSES DOWN THERE THAT ARE RACING TO BEAT THE BAND!

A HOLD-UP-- OR WHAT?? CAN'T QUITE SORT IT OUT!

OKAY, DD-- GET YOUR EAR IN GEAR!





FEARLESS, MAYBE YOU OUGHT TO GO HANG UP THE OLD **BILLY CLUB!**

YOU'RE REALLY GETTING **DESPERATE** --WHEN YOU'RE ALL SET TO PLAY **PEACEMAKER** TO A COUPLE OF PASSING **FLOWER CHILDREN!**

ANOTHER SECOND, AND I'D HAVE LOOKED TO ONE AND ALL LIKE A **HORN-HEADED BUTTINSKY!**



'COURSE, WITH ALL THE **BRIGHT LIGHTS** I CAN SENSE AROUND HERE, I DON'T IMAGINE MY TARZAN-TYPE ENTRANCE WENT EXACTLY **UNNOTICED!**



DID YOU CATCH **THAT** SCENE, SHIRL?

THAT WAS **DAREDEVIL**--OR ELSE SOMEBODY WHO MADE OFF WITH HIS **LONG-JOHN!**

WHAT'S HE DOIN' HERE IN **L.A.**--AND ON THE **STRIP**, NO LESS?

Los Angeles
MAYOR YOR!
FACT-FINDING
ARGENTINA

THAT, LITTLE LADY, IS PRECISELY WHAT **DAREDEVIL** IS ASKING HIMSELF ABOUT NOW...



MAYBE I SHOULD HAVE STAYED IN **BED**--

--OR AT LEAST IN **MANHATTAN!**



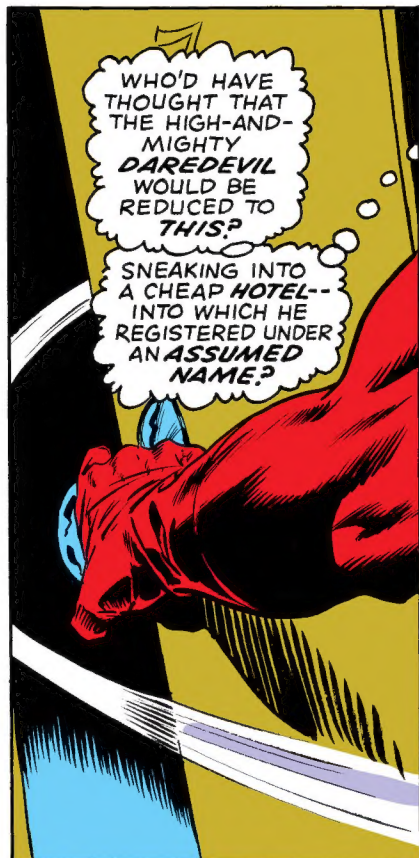
OH WELL...NO SENSE
FRETTING OVER
THAT AT THIS POINT!



I'M *HERE* IN
TINSELTOWN--AND
I MAY AS WELL
MAKE THE *BEST*
OF IT!

AND RIGHT
NOW, I'D
BETTER
GET SOME
SHUT-EYE--

--SO THAT,
COME
TOMORROW,
I CAN GO BACK
TO LOOKING
FOR A *NEEDLE*
IN THIS
CRAZY-QUILT
HAYSTACK!



WHO'D HAVE
THOUGHT THAT
THE HIGH-AND-
MIGHTY
DAREDEVIL
WOULD BE
REDUCED TO
THIS?

SNEAKING INTO
A CHEAP HOTEL--
INTO WHICH HE
REGISTERED UNDER
AN *ASSUMED*
NAME?



HMMM...LOOKS LIKE CRY-
ING OVER SPILT MILK IS
BECOMING MY *BAG!*

STILL, IF ONLY IT
HADN'T BEEN FOR
THE *GLADIATOR--!*



YEAH--THE
GLADIATOR!

HE'S RUSTING
AWAY IN
SOME *CELL*
SOMEWHERE--

BUT WOULDN'T
HE HAVE A GOOD
HORSE-LAUGH IF
HE KNEW ALL
THE *HEARTACHE*
HE'S CAUSED ME!

"IT WAS HIS ATTEMPTED JAILBREAK ON PRISON ISLAND--AN ATTEMPT THAT WAS DOOMED BEFORE IT BEGAN--THAT KEPT ME BUSY PLAYING CAT-AND-MOUSE FOR LONG, PRECIOUS MOMENTS--"

"FOR, WHILE I WAS FIGHTING FOR MY LIFE, THE ONLY GIRL I'VE EVER LOVED WAS LEAVING ON A PLANE--AND PROBABLY HOPING AGAINST HOPE FOR ME TO RETURN AND STOP HER--!"*

*ALL THIS WONDERMENT OCCURRED IN OUR PREVIOUS ISH!--STAN

"SURE, I FINALLY CAME ON LIKE MIGHTY MOUSE AND SAVED THE DAY--"

"...SHE'S GONE-- BUT MAYBE I CAN LEARN WHERE SHE WENT!"

GOOD THING HER LANDLADY KNOWS ME AND SLIPPED ME HER KEY!

A MEMO PAD --WITH SOME FAINT IMPRESSIONS ON THE TOP SHEET!

KAREN MUST HAVE WRITTEN SOMETHING ON THE PAGE ABOVE--AND TAKEN IT WITH HER!

BUT, I CAN STILL TELL WHAT SHE WROTE--BY FINGER-READING THE MARKINGS!

BROTHER MATT DIDN'T SEE 2000 SPY MOVIES FOR NOTHING!

"-- BUT NOT TILL THE BALL GAME WAS OVER--THE SHUT-OUT ALREADY POSTED!"

"'CAUSE, A COUPLE OF HOURS LATER--"

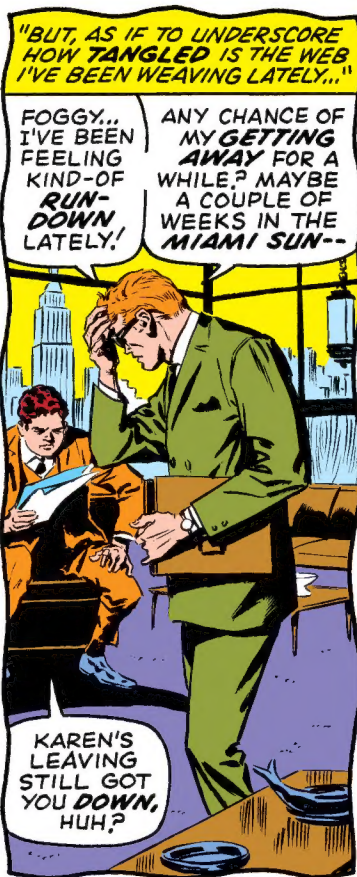
SAY NOW-- WHAT HAVE WE HERE?



JUST AS I
THOUGHT--
AND
HOPED!

IT'S AN
ADDRESS--
IN LOS
ANGELES!
THEN
THAT'S
WHERE
THE
LITTLE
LADY
HAS GONE!

AND, IF
KAREN
PAGE
GOES--
CAN DD
BE FAR
BEHIND?



"BUT, AS IF TO UNDERSCORE
HOW **TANGLED** IS THE WEB
I'VE BEEN WEAVING LATELY..."

FOGGY...
I'VE BEEN
FEELING
A KIND-OF
**RUN-
DOWN**
LATELY!

ANY CHANCE OF
MY **GETTING**
AWAY FOR A
WHILE? MAYBE
A COUPLE OF
WEEKS IN THE
MIAMI SUN--

KAREN'S
LEAVING
STILL GOT
YOU **DOWN**,
HUH?



I STILL
CAN'T SLIP
ANYTHING
PAST
YOU, EX-
PARTNER!

THAT'S HOW I
GOT TO BE
D.A., MATT!

STILL, I
KNOW HOW
YOU **FEEL!**

IF ANY-
THING LIKE
THAT EVER
HAPPENED
BETWEEN
ME AND
DEBBIE--!



I **COULDN'T** TELL FOGGY THE
TRUTH--THAT KAREN REALLY
SEEMS TO BE IN **L.A.!**

NEVER CAN TELL
WHEN I MIGHT HAVE
TO USE MY **DAREDEVIL**
IDENTITY OUT HERE--

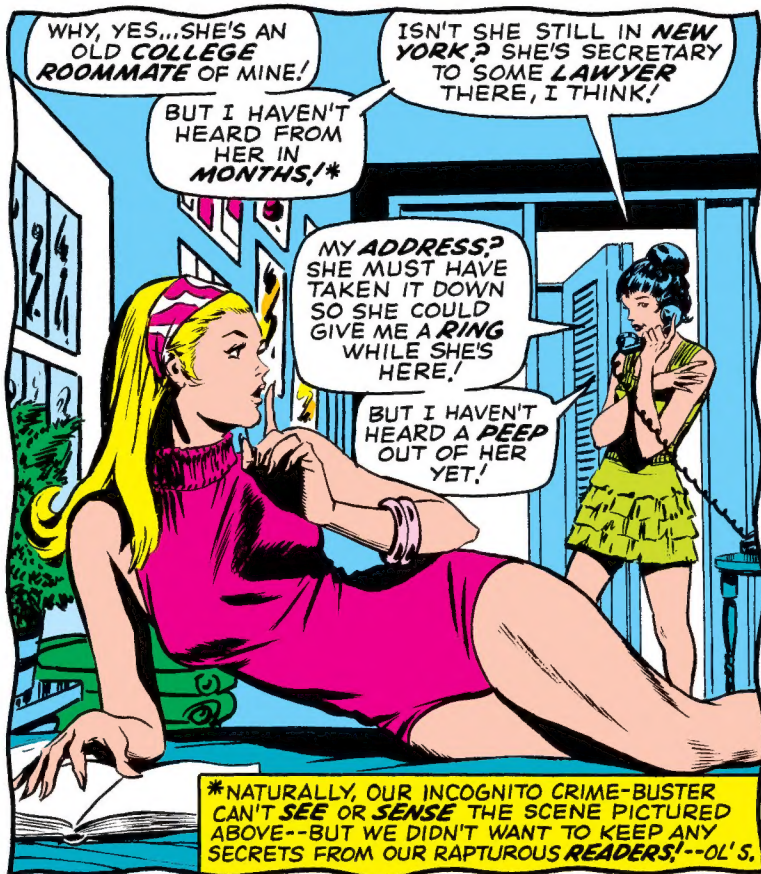
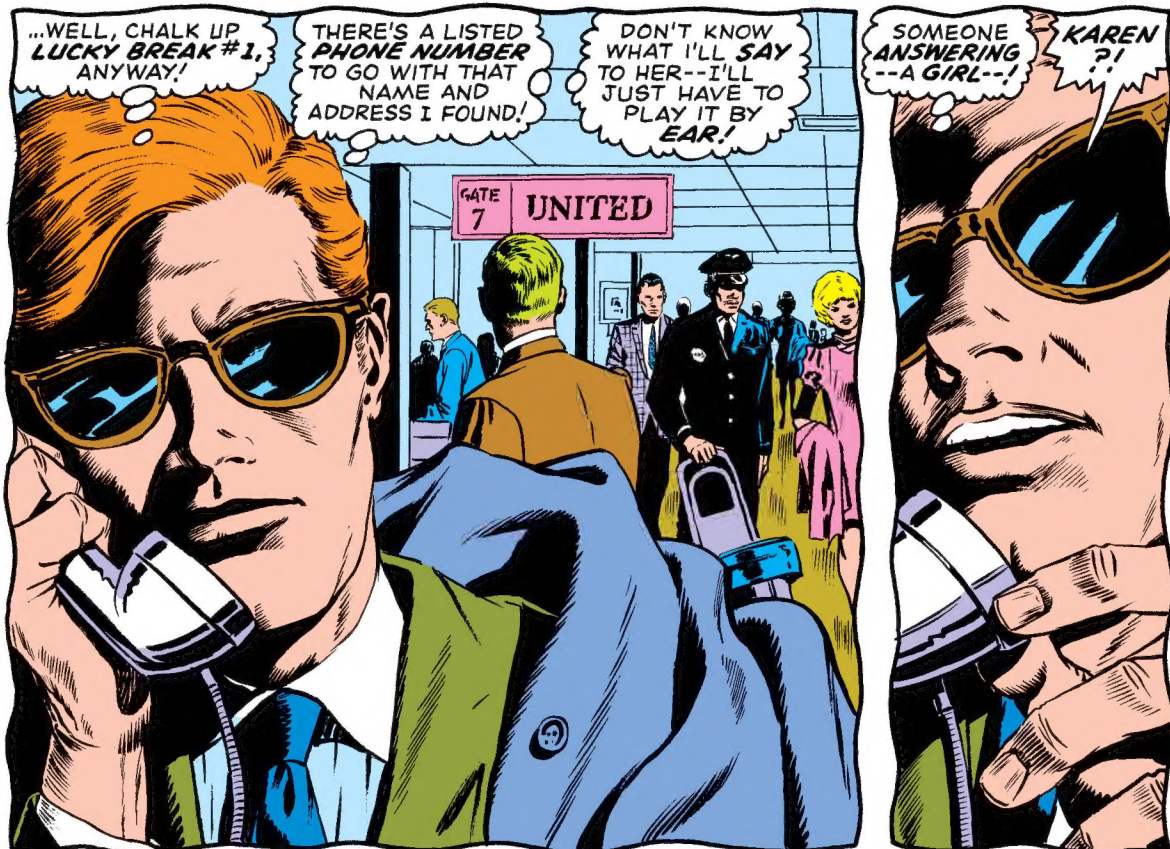


--AND IT'D BE DOWNRIGHT
SUSPICIOUS IF BOTH DD
AND MILD-MANNERED
MATTHEW TURNED UP IN
SMOG CITY AT THE
SAME TIME!

NOW, IF ONLY
THAT **ADDRESS**
WASN'T A **RED**
HERRING--!

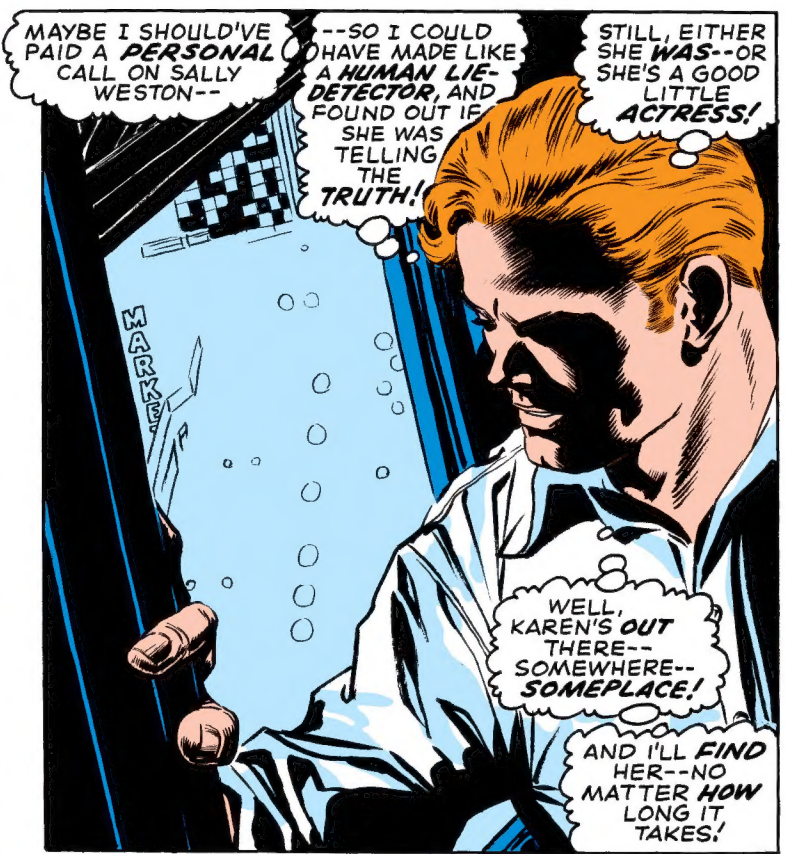
HERE,
MISTER...
CAN I
HELP
YOU?

FRIEND...
DON'T I
WISH
YOU
COULD!





IF SHE **DOES** CALL ME, WHO SHALL I SAY--? HELLO? HELLO...?



MAYBE I SHOULD'VE PAID A **PERSONAL** CALL ON SALLY WESTON--

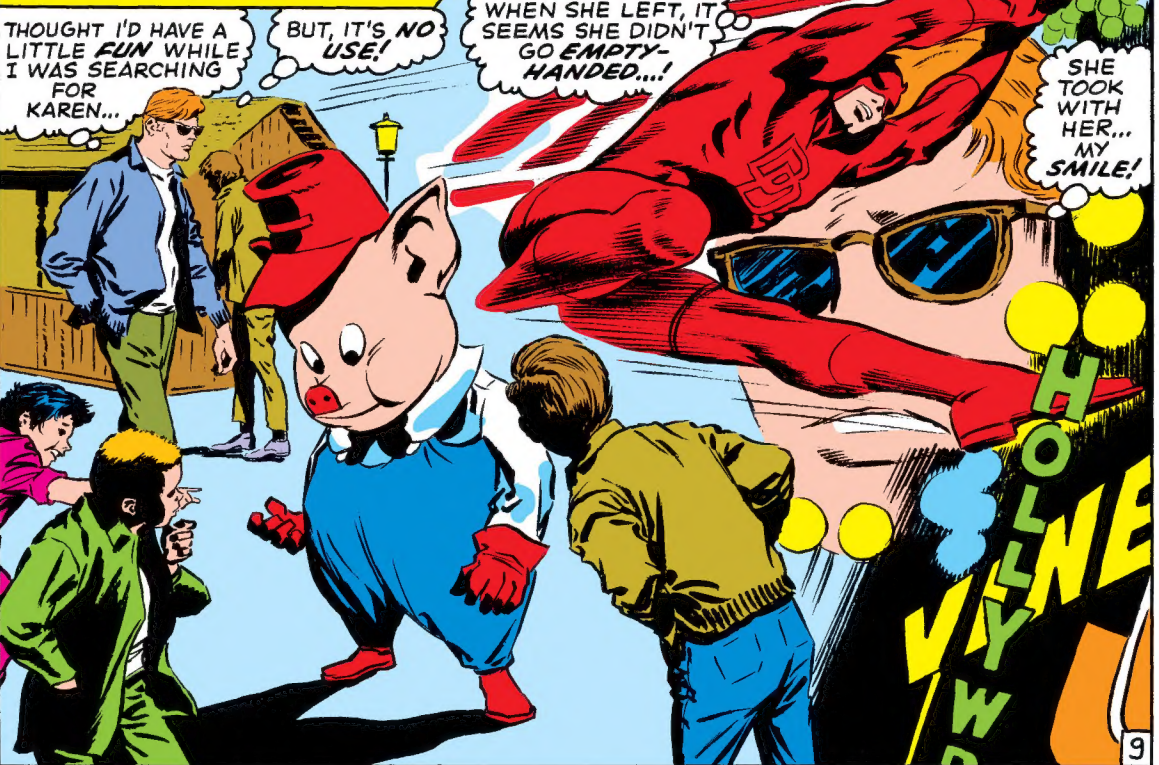
--SO I COULD HAVE MADE LIKE A **HUMAN LIE-DETECTOR**, AND FOUND OUT IF SHE WAS TELLING THE **TRUTH!**

STILL, EITHER SHE **WAS--** OR SHE'S A GOOD LITTLE **ACTRESS!**

WELL, KAREN'S OUT THERE-- SOMEWHERE-- **SOMEPLACE!**

AND I'LL FIND HER--NO MATTER **HOW** LONG IT TAKES!

DURING THE DAYS WHICH FOLLOW, HOWEVER, NEITHER THE SUN-SPLASHED FRIVOLITY OF AMUSEMENT PARKS NOR THE NIGHT-TIME GAIETY OF HOLLYWOOD AND VINE LIFTS THE HEAVY LOAD FROM MATT MURDOCK'S HEART...!



THOUGHT I'D HAVE A LITTLE **FUN** WHILE I WAS SEARCHING FOR KAREN...

BUT, IT'S **NO USE!**

WHEN SHE LEFT, IT SEEMS SHE DIDN'T GO **EMPTY-HANDED...!**

SHE TOOK WITH HER... MY **SMILE!**





AND, THRU IT ALL, THE SCARLET-CLAD SIGHT OF DAREDEVIL BECOMES VIRTUALLY A TOURIST ATTRACTION IN THE NATION'S MOST POPULOUS CITY...!

AND THEY SAY **NEW YORK** HAS ALL THE SUPER-DOERS!

WONDER **WHY** HE SWITCHED HIS BASE OF OPERATIONS!?

PROBABLY GOT TIRED OF SEEIN' NOTHING BUT **SKYSCRAPERS!**

OR ELSE HE READ OUR **CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** REPORTS!

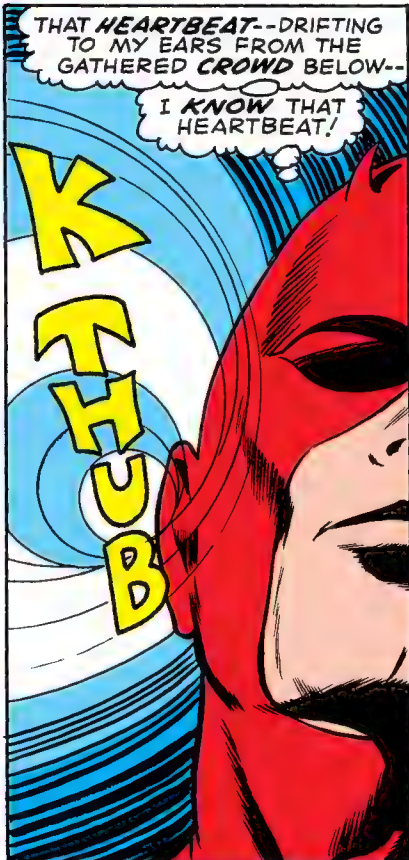
MAYBE I'D FIND KAREN SOONER IF I USED MY FEW CONTACTS AS **MATT MURDOCK, LAWYER...**

BUT I DON'T **DARE!** I--

WAIT A MINUTE!

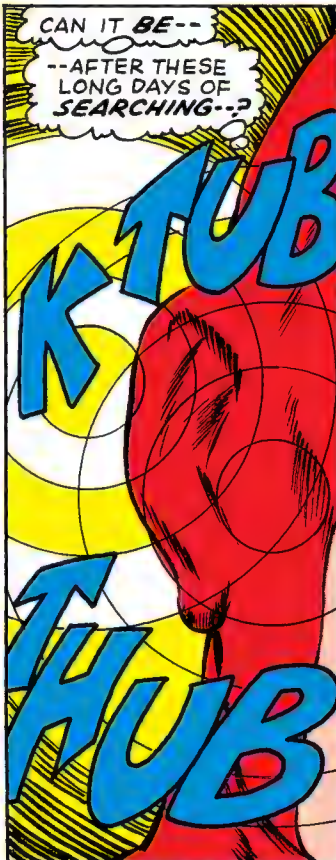
NO! I DON'T KNOW **WHO** IT IS--BUT IT DEFINITELY **ISN'T** KAREN'S HEARTBEAT!

DON'T **RECOGNIZE** IT--IT PROBABLY BELONGS TO SOME OLD ACQUAINTANCE OF **MATT'S!**



THAT **HEARTBEAT**--DRIFTING TO MY EARS FROM THE GATHERED **CROWD** BELOW--

I **KNOW** THAT HEARTBEAT!



CAN IT **BE**--

--AFTER THESE LONG DAYS OF **SEARCHING--?**



WELL, THAT DOESN'T CONCERN ME **NOW!**



HE'S GONE!
DAREDEVIL'S
GONE!

AND, I
CAN'T
SAY I'M
SORRY!

FOR A SECOND
THERE...THE WAY
HE **PAUSED**...I
WAS AFRAID
HE'D **RECOG-
NIZED** ME!



AND, THOUGH I'VE GOT
NOTHING TO **FEAR** FROM
HIM NOW, I'D JUST AS
SOON **FORGET** THAT
SIDE OF MY PAST!

--**FORGET** THE
DAY NOT LONG
AGO WHEN I
TRIED TO **KILL**
HIM--AS THE
**STUNT-
MASTER!**

I GOT A LUCKY
BREAK ON A
TECHNICALITY,
OR I WOULDN'T
BE WALKING
AROUND **FREE**
TODAY!

AND I
INTEND
TO MAKE
THE **MOST**
OF IT--BY
GOING
STRAIGHT!

WHICH REMINDS
ME--I'D BETTER
STEP ON IT, IF
I'M GOING TO
KEEP MY **JOB**
INTERVIEW--!

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...NO DOUBT
ABOUT IT,
MR. SMITH!

IT WOULD
SEEM YOU'D
MAKE THE **PERFECT**
STUNTMAN FOR THE
MOTORCYCLE EPIC
I'M PRODUCING!

WHY IS IT I
HAVEN'T HEARD
OF YOU
BEFORE?

UHH...GUESS IT'S
BECAUSE I'VE
ALWAYS WORKED
FOR **SMALL**
PRODUCERS LIKE
YOURSELF, MR. ELLIS!

I JUST NEVER
GOT--A **REP**, I
SUPPOSE!

NO MATTER!
THE **JOB** IS
YOURS--REPORT
EXACTLY **ONE**
WEEK FROM
TODAY!

WITH **BELLS** ON--
NOT TO MENTION A
CRASH HELMET!



YAHOOO--!

IT'S ENOUGH TO RESTORE
AN EX-CON'S FAITH IN
HUMANITY!

A **SECOND**
CHANCE--SO I CAN
PROVE I'M **NOT** JUST
AN OVER-AGE FALL-
GUY--

--BUT THE
GREATEST
STUNTMAN
IN THE
BUSINESS!!

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UH OH! I'M GLAD THAT GUY ELLIS DIDN'T SEE MY RUG FALL OFF!

IF HE RECOGNIZED ME AS AN EX-CON...

HE MIGHT NOT GIVE ME MY BIG BREAK!



THAT FOOL... AS IF I HADN'T ALREADY SEEN THRU HIS PALTRY DISGUISE!

AS IF I DIDN'T HAVE PLANS FOR THE SPECIAL SERVICES OF... THE STUNT-MASTER!



THUS, EXACTLY ONE WEEK LATER, IT IS A CLEAN-SHAVEN STUNT-MASTER WHO APPROACHES A CERTAIN MIDTOWN LOCATION...

ALL THESE NAMES... THE STARS OF YEARS PAST!

MAYBE ONE OF THESE DAYS MY NAME'LL BE DOWN THERE!

FOR MR. GRALMAN ALL HAPPINESS

AWWWW... KNOCK OFF THE PIPE DREAM, PAL!

JUST CONCENTRATE ON DOIN' A GOOD JOB OF STUNT-DRIVING... PERIOD!



AND, NOT FAR AWAY...

IT'S ALMOST TIME, ELLIS!

YOU SURE THAT SAPI'S GONNA SHOW?

HE'LL SHOW, JAKE! HE DOESN'T WANT TO DISAPPOINT HIS BENEFACTOR!

YEAH, OKAY! BUT SUPPOSE HE DON'T WANNA GO ALONG WITH YOUR SCHEME?

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN HE FINDS OUT THE MOVIE BIT IS JUST A COVER-UP...

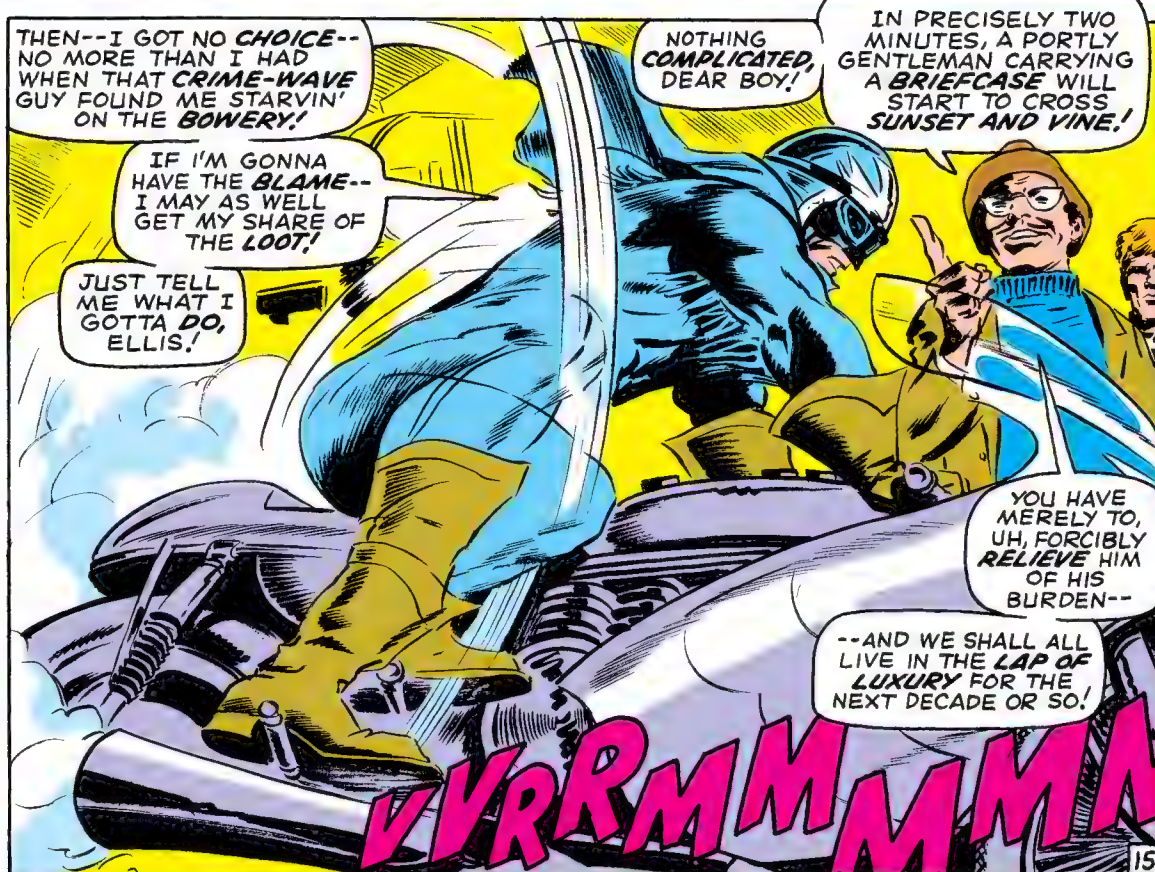
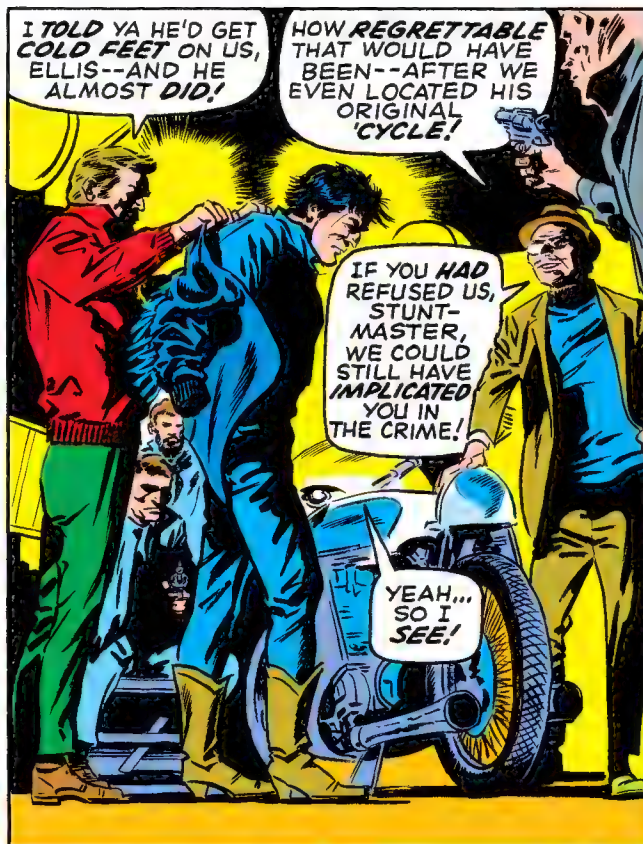
...FOR THE STRONG-ARMED ROBBERY OF AN OLD MOVIE PRINT THAT'S WORTH MILLIONS?

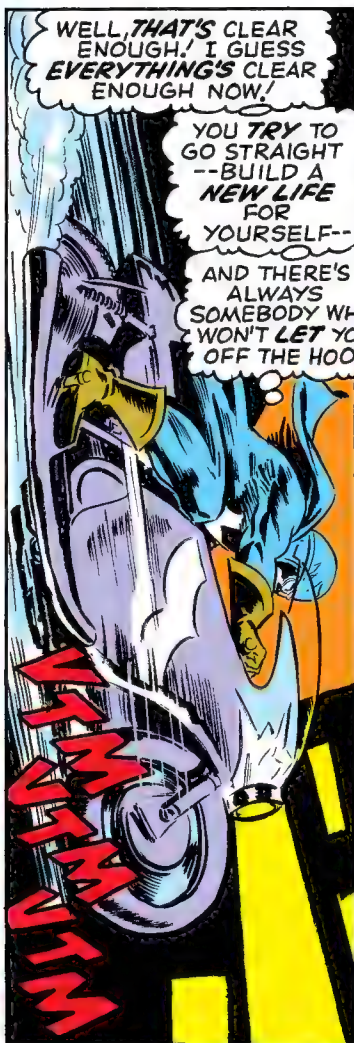


YES, STUNT-MASTER...

WHAT HAPPENS THEN?

WHAT??





WELL, THAT'S CLEAR ENOUGH! I GUESS EVERYTHING'S CLEAR ENOUGH NOW!

YOU TRY TO GO STRAIGHT -- BUILD A NEW LIFE FOR YOURSELF--

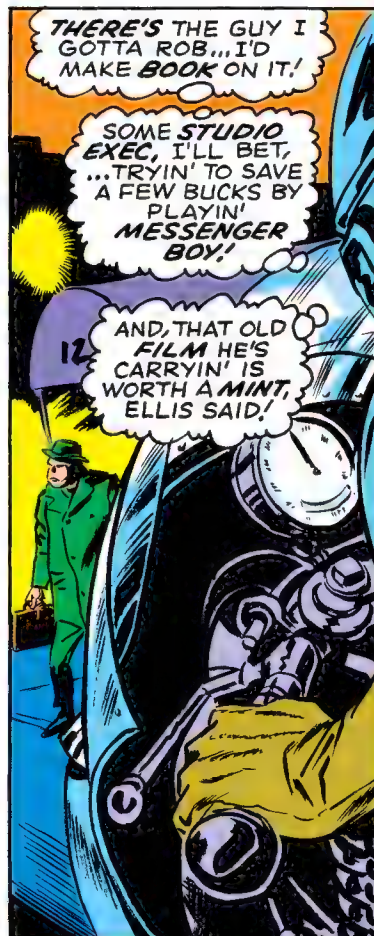
AND THERE'S ALWAYS SOMEBODY WHO WON'T LET YOU OFF THE HOOK!



I SHOULD'A KNOWN I WOULDN'T GET A BREAK...NOT A REAL ONE!

'CAUSE, WHEN YOU'RE MARKED LOUSY...WHEN YOU'RE AN EX-CON... WHO CARES?

WELL, I BETTER GET MY MIND ON BUSINESS!



THERE'S THE GUY I GOTTA ROB...I'D MAKE BOOK ON IT!

SOME STUDIO EXEC, I'LL BET, ...TRYIN' TO SAVE A FEW BUCKS BY PLAYIN' MESSENGER BOY!

AND, THAT OLD FILM HE'S CARRYIN' IS WORTH A MINT, ELLIS SAID!



WHAT A SHLUMP! IT ISN'T EVEN ATTACHED TO HIS WRIST BY A CHAIN!

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WELL, SO MUCH THE BETTER...FOR HIS WRIST!

AT THIS SPEED, I BETTER NOT MISS... 'CAUSE I WON'T GET A SECOND CHANCE!

HE'S TURNIN'! ...HE SEES ME! NOTHIN' TO DO NOW BUT--



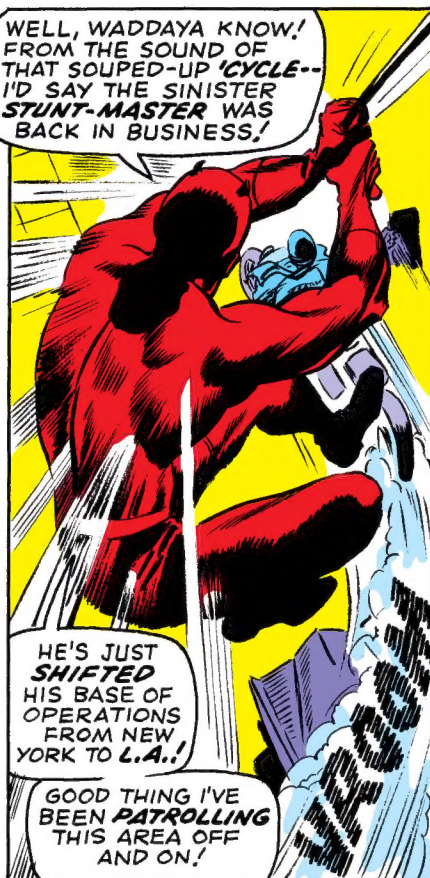
--GRAB IT!!



JUST THIS **ONE JOB**--
THAT'S ALL!

THEN I'M TAKING
MY CUT OF THE
LOOT--AND GOING
STRAIGHT IF IT
KILLS ME!

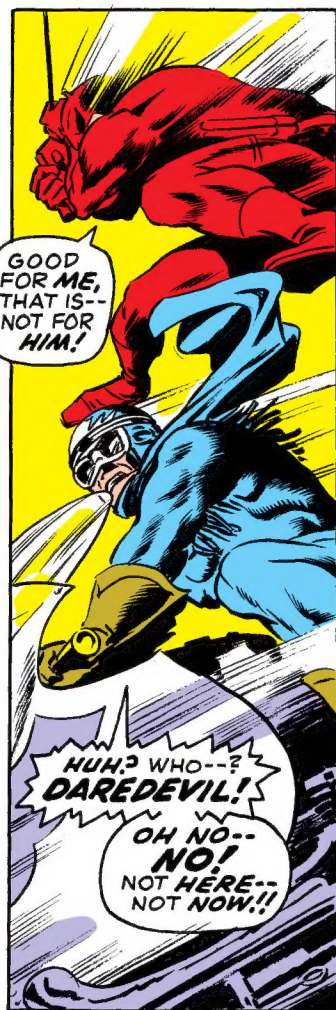
**STOP--
THIEF!!**



WELL, WADDAYA KNOW!
FROM THE SOUND OF
THAT SOUPED-UP 'CYCLE--
I'D SAY THE SINISTER
STUNT-MASTER WAS
BACK IN BUSINESS!

HE'S JUST
SHIFTED
HIS BASE OF
OPERATIONS
FROM NEW
YORK TO **L.A.**!

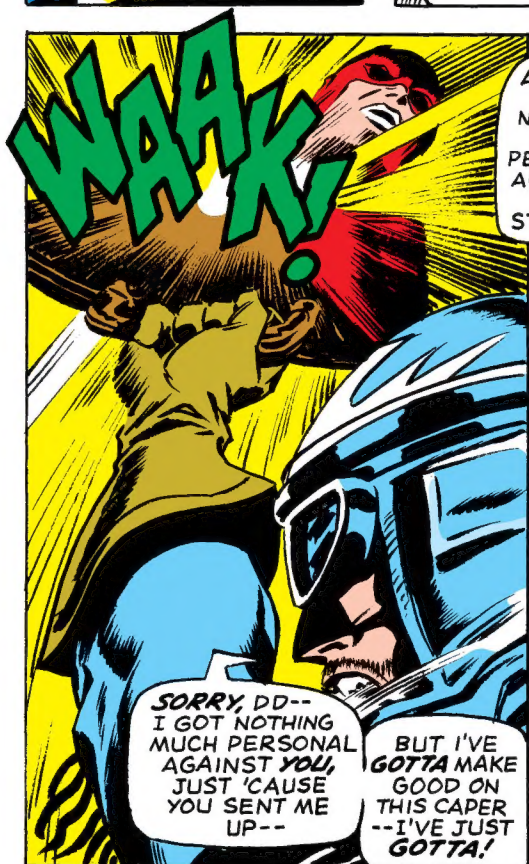
GOOD THING I'VE
BEEN **PATROLLING**
THIS AREA OFF
AND ON!



GOOD
FOR ME,
THAT IS--
NOT FOR
HIM!

HUH? WHO--?
DAREDEVIL!

**OH NO--
NO!
NOT HERE--
NOT NOW!!**



WAAK!

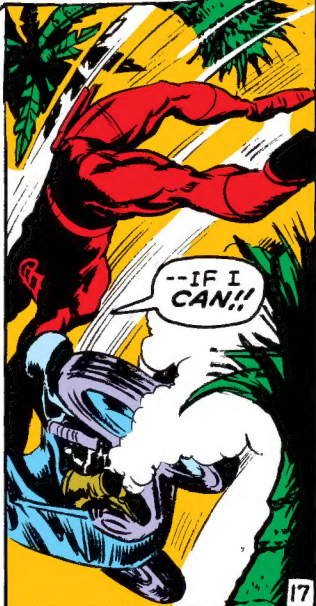
AND I'VE
GOT
NOTHING
MUCH
PERSONAL
AGAINST
YOU,
STUNTY--

SORRY, DD--
I GOT NOTHING
MUCH PERSONAL
AGAINST **YOU,**
JUST 'CAUSE
YOU SENT ME
UP--

BUT I'VE
GOTTA MAKE
GOOD ON
THIS CAPER
--I'VE JUST
GOTTA!



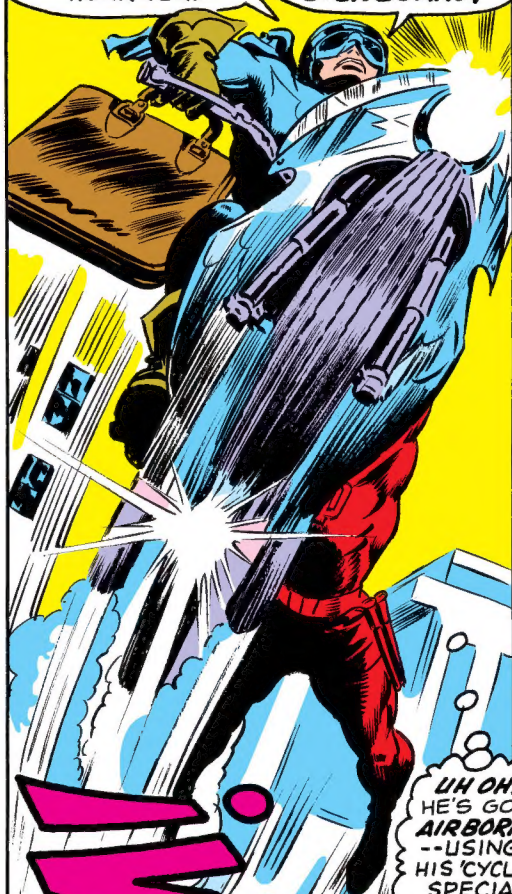
BUT IT LOOKS LIKE
I'M GONNA HAVE TO
SEND YOU **BACK** TO
THE BIG HOUSE--



--IF I
CAN!!

MAYBE SLICING THRU
THAT **PALM TREE**
LIKE BUTTER DIDN'T
THROW YOU,
HORNHEAD--

BUT I CAN STILL
SCRAPE YOU OFF
--BY CUTTING IN
CLOSE TO THAT
SIGNBOARD!



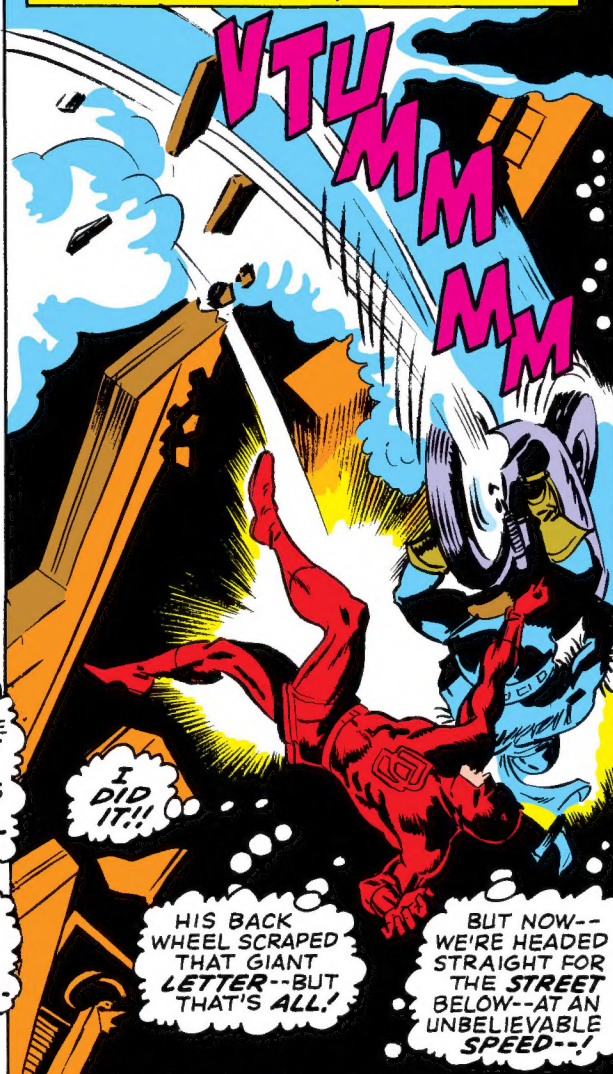
UH OH!
HE'S GONE
AIRBORNE
--USING
HIS 'CYCLE'S
SPECIAL
**BOOSTER-
JETS!**

AND HIS NEXT
LITTLE
MANEUVER WILL
PEEL ME LIKE
A **USED GRAPE--**

--UNLESS--

WUH-ROO

**THEN, WITH ALL THE SKILL OF A
SUPERBLY-TRAINED ACROBAT--WITH A
DEFTNESS AND SENSE OF TIMING BEYOND
THE ABILITY OF ANY SIGHTED PERSON--
MATT MURDOCK TWISTS HIS LITHE FORM
SO THAT HIS FULL WEIGHT CAUSES THE
STREAKING CYCLE TO VEER FROM ITS
PATH--VEER THOSE FEW, FATAL INCHES--!**



I
DID
IT!!

HIS BACK
WHEEL SCRAPED
THAT GIANT
LETTER--BUT
THAT'S ALL!

BUT NOW--
WE'RE HEADED
STRAIGHT FOR
THE **STREET**
BELOW--AT AN
UNBELIEVABLE
SPEED--!

THEY'RE **GONE--**
OUT OF **SIGHT!**

THE **FILM!**
THEY MUSTN'T
DAMAGE THE
FILM!

TELL THAT
TO **THEM,**
MAC--

IF
THEY'RE
STILL
ALIVE!



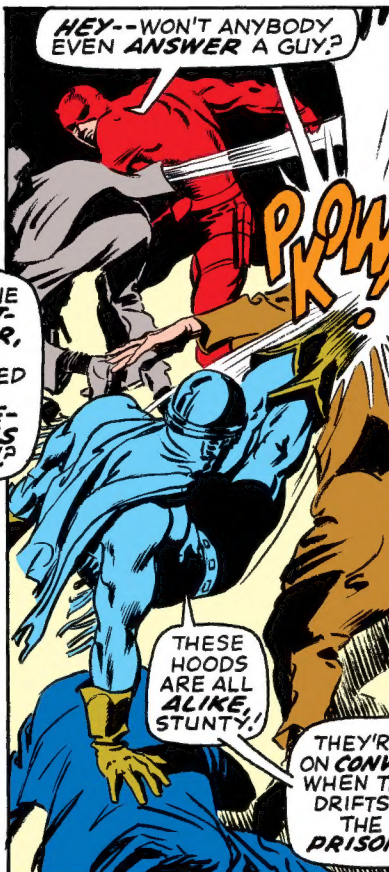




FIGURED THAT OUT ALL BY YOURSELF, HUH?

THEN YOU PROBABLY ALREADY KNOW THAT THE JOE WHO RODE HERE ON TOP OF YOUR TRUCK--

--IS THE STUNT-MASTER, ALL DRESSED UP IN DARE-DEVIL'S DUDS!?



HEY--WON'T ANYBODY EVEN ANSWER A GUY?

THESE HOODS ARE ALL ALIKE, STUNTY!

THEY'RE SHORT ON CONVERSATION WHEN THE TALK DRIFTS BEYOND THE LATEST PRISON BREAK!



AND, SPEAKING OF PRISON-- THE LOCAL CONSTABULARY JUST ARRIVED!

WHAT SAY WE FADE INTO THE NEAREST SUNSET, PAL?

FOR OBVIOUS REASONS --I'M WITH YOU!



THEN, IN A MORE SECLUDED SPOT...

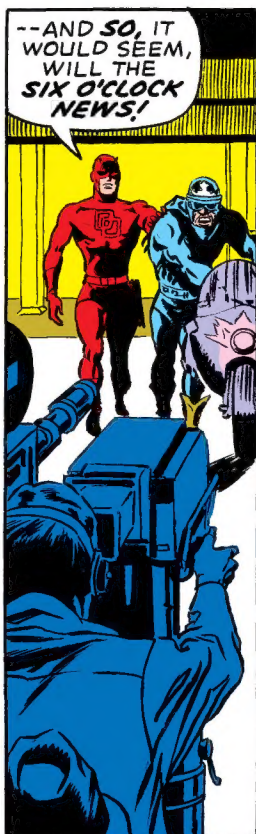
...I FEEL BETTER NOW, IN MY OWN THREADS!

I--I'M GLAD YOU TALKED SOME SENSE INTO ME BACK THERE WHEN WE CRASHED!

SO AM I-- BUT KEEP THAT HEAD TURNED, OKAY?

AS IT IS, YOU'VE COMMITTED NO CRIME-- JUST HELPED STOP ONE!

YOUR PAROLE BOARD IS REALLY GONNA EAT THIS UP--



--AND SO, IT WOULD SEEM, WILL THE SIX O'CLOCK NEWS!



A FEW NIGHTS LATER, IN A CERTAIN LOW-BUDGET HOTEL ROOM...

MY OLD SPARRING PARTNER EARNED HIS BREAK --BUT THAT STILL LEAVES ME NOWHERE!

"STUNT-MASTER" A HERO-- SIGNED FOR FALL SERIES
"A NATURAL" SAYS VEEP
NEW SHOW TO DEAL WITH WACKY MOTORCYCLIST WHO HELPS PEOPLE IN TROUBLE

I'M LOOKING UP SALLY WESTON-- TO SEE IF SHE KNOWS WHERE KAREN IS!

TOMORROW, I DO WHAT I SHOULD'VE DONE RIGHT AWAY!

I JUST HOPE I HAVEN'T WAITED UNTIL IT'S-- TOO LATE--!

NEXT: BETTER LATE... OR NEVER?